

ITALIANS RECOVER MORE LOST GROUND

Line From Parmesan to Rio Romeni Held Despite Counter Attack.

PARENZO TORPEDO RAID

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
LONDON, June 13.—The Italian counter-attack against Austria recovered yesterday the strongly fortified line from Parmesan to Rio Romeni in the sector of the Cima Mezzana, in the Lagarina Valley. The Austrians immediately attempted to recapture the ground lost, but were repulsed.

On the rest of the Italian front little infantry action is reported, but there has been very violent artillery fighting, particularly on the Posina-Astico line.

The official statement issued by the Italian War Office to-night follows:

Between the Adige and the Brenta there were intense artillery actions. Progress was made in the sector in spite of obstinate enemy resistance. In the Lagarina Valley, by a brilliant attack after artillery preparation, we captured the strongly fortified line from Parmesan, east of the Cima Mezzana, to Rio Romeni. The enemy immediately launched violent counter attacks, but was always repulsed.

On the Posina-Astico front there was an intense bombardment by both sides. Enemy infantry which succeeded in penetrating Molinski was driven out by our fire, pursued and captured.

On the Asiago plateau the situation is unchanged.

In the Sugana Valley on the night of June 12, and the following morning enemy detachments attempting to advance east of the Maseo torrent were repulsed with very heavy losses.

In the Carnia and the Tivoli sectors there were intense artillery actions and infantry raids. An attempted attack in the Montefalco zone was promptly checked by our fire.

The Austrian War Office mentions that the Italian counter-attack on the front and says there were repulsed.

Three Italian torpedo boats, it says, entered the harbor of Parenzo, northwest of Pola, but were driven off by the shore batteries and aeroplanes.

The official statement issued by the Austrian War Office to-day regarding the operations on the Italian front follows:

On the front between the Etsch (Adige) and the Brenta and in the Dolomites artillery battles were lively.

At several points there were fruitless Italian attacks.

Monday morning three enemy torpedo boats penetrated the harbor of Parenzo on the coast of Istria, northwest of Pola. They were driven off by our batteries and aeroplanes.

Nobody was wounded. Our batteries and aeroplanes scored hits.

AIR RAID ON VENICE.

Aerial Bombardment in Night by Austrian Seaplanes.

BRITAIN, via London, June 13.—In an air raid in Italy the arsenal at Venice was bombed by aeroplanes, according to an official Austrian statement. The statement is as follows:

A squadron of naval aircraft on the night of June 11-12, bombarded extensively and with visible success the railroad tracks between Mestre and San Dona di Piave and the railroad station at Mestre. They obtained several full hits on a locomotive shed. The arsenal at Venice was also bombarded. Notwithstanding a heavy fire directed at them the aeroplanes returned unharmed.

Mestre is about five miles northwest of Venice.

WILL PROTECT AMERICANS.

Landing to Act Promptly in Event of Arrests in Ireland.

WASHINGTON, June 13.—In response to the Kern resolution passed during the early days of the recent Irish revolution in Dublin the State Department to-day informed the Senate that it stands ready to act promptly for the protection of the lives and property of Americans in the disturbed sections.

"It appears," said Secretary Lansing in his reply to the resolution, "that the disturbances in Ireland have largely if not entirely ceased and that the excitement growing out of such disturbances has greatly subsided and it is hoped that there may be few, if any, further arrests or detentions of American citizens for alleged complicity therein."

Russians Capture Turkish Camp.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
PETROGRAD, via London, June 13.—The Russian War Office to-night issued the following statement concerning the operations in the Caucasus:

In the direction of Diarbekir we surprised and captured an enemy camp. The enemy suffered losses and fled.

A Turkish attack in the region of Barmouza was repulsed.

Greek Ship Bound for U. S. Held.

TOULON, France, June 13.—Among the Greek ships held up here as a result of the restrictive measures which have been applied against Greece by the Allies is the freight steamer Antonios M. Mavrogordatos, bound for America.

Peace Prize Sought for Alfonso.

MADRID, June 13.—A movement started here will put forward King Alfonso as a candidate for the 1916 Nobel Peace prize.

GOOD TANBARK YEAR

Industry Will Be Brisk on Account of Advance in Prices

Oil City, Pa., June 13.—Great activity in the bark peeling industry in McKean, Warren, Forest and Elk counties, Pennsylvania, is expected to continue within the next two weeks, the force of men already under contract in the territory mentioned being estimated at from 1,200 to 1,500.

It is said by men well informed that more bark will be cut this year than ever known before. This is due to the flourishing condition of the leather industry due to the European war. In Warren county the Central Pennsylvania Lumber Company will peel 25,000 cords, while in Elk and Forest counties like amounts will be cut. In the vicinity of Port Allegany and Betula, McKean county, 25,000 cords will be cut, which will be used by the Elk Tanning Company, which operates about twenty tanneries in this section.

The price of hemlock bark has advanced \$2.50 a cord since last year. At that time the leather manufacturers were paying \$10.50 a cord, while the price being offered to-day is \$13 a cord. Twenty years ago hemlock bark sold at \$4 a cord, and the trees were chopped down only for the bark, as in most cases the trees were left in the woods to rot instead of being hauled to the sawmills. This year's cutting, it is estimated, will amount to at least 100,000 cords, with a value of more than \$1,000,000.

GERMANS GAIN THIAUMONT TRENCHES IN NIGHT DRIVE

French Admit Penetration of Advanced Positions on Hill 321—Attacks at Other Points by Teutons Reported to Have Failed.

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PARIS, June 13.—The German attacks against the Thiaumont farm sector, which went on throughout yesterday without success, were continued last night. The attacking troops finally gained a foothold in advanced French trenches on the eastern slopes of Hill 321, west of the farm. On the rest of this sector the forces of the Crown Prince were repulsed.

On the west bank of the river the Germans again bombarded the Chateau-Cornillon region, south of Camiers, last night, but made no infantry attacks.

The afternoon communiqué was as follows:

On the left bank of the Meuse there has been a bombardment in the region of Chateau-Cornillon. On the right bank the Germans yesterday evening repulsed our attacks along the entire sector to the west of the Thiaumont farm, and penetrated some of the advanced trenches of our line along the slopes of the east side of Hill 321.

Everywhere else the German attacks were repulsed under the French fire. The night passed in relative quiet elsewhere on the front.

Only intermittent bombardments on both sides of the Meuse are reported to-day.

The official communiqué issued by the French War Office to-night follows:

North of Verdun no infantry action was reported in the course of the day. There was an intermittent bombardment east and west of the Meuse.

The day was calm on the rest of the front.

CANADIAN ATTACK WINS.

Positions on 1,500 Yard Front at Zillebeke Retaken.

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LONDON, June 13.—The Canadians regained this morning the positions lost earlier in the month in the sector of Hill 60 on the ridge southeast of Zillebeke, on a front of over 1,500 yards.

The positions recovered in 11 attacks include the former front from the southern portion of Sanctuary Wood to a point 1,000 yards north of Hill 60.

As soon as the Canadians had entered their old trenches and had begun the work of reorganization the German artillery opened a terrific bombardment, which was continued for several hours.

While the British artillery replied, a German counter attack failed under the British gunfire.

This morning's success in the region of Zillebeke restores the line in this sector to its position on June 1, when the German artillery opened a section of our new positions on the heights southeast of Ypres have been in progress since this morning.

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700 yards in the direction of Zillebeke. It was in this action that Gens. Mercer and Williams of the Third Canadian division were reported missing. Immediate counter attacks regained part of the ground lost. On June 6 the Germans again attacked in the region of the canal and made some further gains.

The official report was as follows:

This morning the Canadians made a gallant and successful assault south-east of Zillebeke. Their objective was our old position in the neighborhood, all of which they captured on the front attacked, extending from the southern portion of Sanctuary wood to a point 1,000 yards north of Hill 60, a total front of over 1,500 yards. In the course of the attack heavy losses were inflicted on the enemy and three officers and 123 men were taken prisoners.

Four troops were subjected to a severe shelling for several hours after gaining the position, but were well supported by our artillery and retain the ground gained, which is being consolidated. Heavy bombardments by the enemy continued during the day. Our artillery replied effectively. An attempt at a counter attack by hostile infantry was frustrated by our artillery.

Last night our troops carried out successful raids northeast of Ypres and south of the Basse-Strasse. At the latter place a party of Australians entered the enemy's trenches, causing him the loss of twelve killed, and probably others, and capturing six prisoners. Two trench mortars were destroyed. The raiding party returned safely, their only casualties one officer and one man, both slightly wounded.

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LAST HONORS PAID TO LORD KITCHENER

Three Memorial Services Are Held in London—King at St. Paul's.

WHOLE CITY MOURNS

LONDON, June 13.—Impressive memorial services for Earl Kitchener were held to-day in St. Paul's Cathedral, which was crowded to the doors with civilians and soldiers, from young recruits to grizzled veterans of India and Egypt.

All London was in mourning and flags were at half mast on all buildings. Two other memorial services were held for the great soldier, one in Westminster Abbey and the other in Canterbury Cathedral.

Although the military had turned out in greatest numbers to honor the dead commander, practically every other branch of public and private life was well represented at the ceremony.

For blocks around St. Paul's Cathedral people gathered and stood for hours in the rain to see those invited, including the royal family, enter the building. The doors were opened at 10 o'clock and very soon after that hour the cathedral was filled, fully 3,000 people, including very many of the most distinguished and prominent in Great Britain, gaining admission.

King Attends Services.

King George, Queen Mary and Queen Mother Alexandra, who entered by the west door, were escorted down the centre aisle to their seats by the Dean and Chapter of St. Paul's.

The ceremony was conducted by the Dean. The first number was the hymn "Abide With Me." "Out of the Deep I Have Called Unto Thee, O Lord," and "The Lord Is My Shepherd" followed.

The great band of the Royal Engineers, together with drummers of the Irish Guards, played the "Dead March." "Give Rest, O Christ, to Thy Servants with the Saints" was sung by the choir. Prayers from the burial service were read and the benediction was pronounced. One of the most moving parts of the ceremony was the sounding of the "Last Post" by a bugler in one of the recessed corners of the building.

"God Save the King," sung by the choir and the congregation, was the closing number of the ceremony.

America Represented.

Among those present were Premier Asquith, Arthur J. Balfour, First Lord of the Admiralty, Sir Edward Grey, British Foreign Minister, Earl Curzon of Kedleston, Lord Privy Seal, Lewis Harcourt, First Commissioner of Works; Viscount Haldane, Winston Churchill, Field Marshal Sir John French, Gen. Sir William Robertson, Chief of the Imperial Staff; the Duke of Devonshire and the Earl of Rosebery.

The American Embassy was well represented by Ambassador and Mrs. Page, Irvin B. Laughlin, secretary of the embassy, and Mrs. Laughlin. Commander Powers Symington, naval attaché, and Capt. Alexander M. Miller, military attaché, were present.

Among the members of the royalty were Princesses Louise, Victoria and Maude and the Princess Royal, Prince Arthur of Connaught, the Duchess of Argyll and Grand Duke Michael of Russia.

Among the clergy present were the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Bishop of London.

TURKS GAIN IN CAUCASUS.

Capture Russians—Smyrna Bombed by Aeroplanes.

CONSTANTINOPLE, via London, June 13.—Further successes in the Caucasus are reported in the official Turkish statement issued to-day. The statement is as follows:

In the course of the fighting on the right and left wings in the Caucasus we captured a number of prisoners and a great quantity of field telephones and trench implements.

The battle referred to in yesterday's communiqué, which resulted in the annihilation of a Russian cavalry force of 1,000 men, occurred near the river, south of Tchouleurek and east of the village of Amchik.

Five hostile aeroplanes dropped about fifty bombs on Smyrna yesterday and killed some men, women and children and destroyed some houses.

M. P. SOARS WITH U. S. AVIATOR.

Noel Pemberton Billing Praised Work of American Aero Corps.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.
PARIS, June 13.—A. C. Lane, correspondent of The Sun with the Franco-American Aviation Corps, writes from the front in a letter dated Sunday that Noel Pemberton Billing, English aviator and member of